

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GLENDALE, MARICOPA COUNTY, ARIZONA, SUPPORTING URBAN IRRIGATION AND ESTABLISHING IRRIGATION SERVICE RATES PURSUANT TO GLENDALE CITY CODE; AND SETTING FORTH THE EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, according to Ordinance 27 (Old Series), adopted on January 8, 1912, the City of Glendale has a duty to make a proper distribution of the irrigating water throughout the town and shall make all repairs and perform all work upon the main ditches and branches of the urban irrigation distribution system to ensure the free passage of such water. Ordinance 27 also set the price of and date for payment of the irrigation water; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to an agreement between the City of Glendale and Salt River Project ("SRP") dated October 1, 1932, SRP delivers water to the City for irrigation purposes for use exclusively on lots or parcels of land within the City and the City agrees to be responsible for the distribution of all irrigation water provided by SRP beyond the point of delivery; and

WHEREAS, on July 12, 1960 the City Council adopted Resolution 588, which resolved that the City may install an irrigation system for any property owner desiring such a system, provided the property owner pays for the cost of the ditch, tile and irrigation valves to service the entire length of their lots on a materials and labor, per foot basis; and

WHEREAS, though the 1960 Resolution also provided that the property owner was required to execute and record an agreement giving the City of Glendale the entire irrigation system on each owner's property together with all necessary easements, no record of any such agreements have been lodged or recorded with the City Clerk or the Maricopa County Recorder; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance 27 and Glendale City Code, Chapter 2, Article I, Section 2-2 authorizes the City Council to set rates for urban irrigation; and

WHEREAS, the Council has periodically increased urban irrigation rates, indexing the rate increase to the same percentage for potable water rates. Such increase was last imposed in 2010 by Resolution No. 4384 (May 25, 2010); and

WHEREAS, the City Council established the Ad-Hoc Citizen Task Force on Water and Sewer on January 24, 2012 under Ordinance No. 2799, and created a Water Service Advisory Commission (WSAC) by Ordinance No. 2850 on June 25, 2013, both of which have researched, studied and examined documents regarding urban irrigation in considerable detail; and

WHEREAS, at a May 6, 2015 meeting, the WSAC discussed and heard public comment on urban irrigation services and approved the transmittal of several recommendations to the City Council; and

WHEREAS, at a December 1, 2015 workshop, the City Council discussed the WSAC recommendations regarding urban irrigation services and provided direction to staff; and

WHEREAS, the WSAC and City Council is satisfied that documentation submitted by the Water Services Department accurately supports and defines expenses assigned to urban irrigation for the last three fiscal years (FY12-13, FY13-14, FY14-15)

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GLENDALE as follows:

SECTION 1. That it shall be the continued policy of the City of Glendale to distribute irrigation water and repair and maintain urban irrigation system now and in the future.

SECTION 2. That the City Manager is hereby authorized to deliver and distribute urban irrigation water to lots within the current 23-mile urban irrigation service area, provided said lots are capable of taking delivery of such water in a safe and sanitary manner.

SECTION 3. That the Water Service Department shall analyze and provide a recommendation to the City Manager whether to allow the lot requesting the urban irrigation service to accept delivery of such water.

SECTION 4. That, consistent with Resolution 588, irrigation water shall only be provided to new urban irrigation customers if those customers pay the costs for establishing such service, at the rate established herein.

SECTION 5. That Resolution 588 is hereby amended to provide that the rate for urban irrigation service shall be based on all direct costs of providing service, not only the cost of the ditch, tile and irrigation valves to service the entire length of their lots on a materials and labor, per foot basis. Additional costs for direct expenses will include, but are not limited to, the salary, professional and contractual services and related expenses of any contractor employed by the City to connect the lot to the irrigation system, and any SRP water fees and assessments, equipment, and line supplies.

SECTION 6. That pursuant to Glendale City Code Sec. 2-2, the fee for landowners receiving irrigation waters shall follow the Irrigation Services Rates schedule which is attached hereto as Exhibit A and incorporated herein by this reference.

~~SECTION 7.~~ That the rates referred to in Section 6 shall become effective on July 1, 2016.

SECTION ¹ That prior to the urban irrigation season (approximately 30-week season each year from April to October) commencing in 2021, the Irrigation Service Rate may be re-evaluated to ensure fifty percent (50%) of average direct expenses are being recovered by the City for providing the urban irrigation service.

PASSED, ADOPTED AND APPROVED by the Mayor and Council of the City of Glendale, Maricopa County, Arizona, this day of , 2016.

MAYOR

ATTEST:

City Clerk (SEAL)

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

City Attorney

REVIEWED BY:

City Manager
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EXHIBIT A

IRRIGATION SERVICE RATES				
		Rates effective:		
		July 2010	July 1, 2016	April 1, 2017
	DESCRIPTION	FLAT FEE	FLAT FEE	FLAT FEE
	1.00 Lot – 7-Months	\$24.26	25.84	27.43
	1.25 Lot – 7-Months	27.90	29.72	31.54
	1.50 Lot – 7-Months	31.54	33.60	35.66
	1.75 Lot – 7-Months	35.17	37.47	39.76
	2.00 Lot – 7-Months	38.81	41.34	43.88
	2.25 Lot – 7-Months	42.46	45.23	48.00
	2.50 Lot – 7-Months	46.09	49.10	52.11
	2.75 Lot – 7-Months	49.73	52.98	56.22
	3.00 Lot – 7-Months	53.37	56.85	60.34
	1.00 Lot – 12-Months	Na	15.07	16.00
	1.25 Lot – 12-Months	Na	17.34	18.40
	1.50 Lot – 12-Months	Na	19.60	20.80
	1.75 Lot – 12-Months	Na	21.86	23.20
	2.00 Lot – 12-Months	Na	24.12	25.60
	2.25 Lot – 12-Months	Na	26.38	28.00
	2.50 Lot – 12-Months	Na	28.64	30.40
	2.75 Lot – 12-Months	Na	30.90	32.80
	3.00 Lot – 12-Months	Na	33.16	35.20
	1.00 Lot - Yearly	169.80	180.88	191.96
	1.25 Lot - Yearly	195.28	208.02	220.77
	1.50 Lot - Yearly	220.75	235.16	249.56
	1.75 Lot - Yearly	246.23	262.30	278.37
	2.00 Lot - Yearly	271.70	289.43	307.16
	2.25 Lot - Yearly	297.16	316.55	335.95
	2.50 Lot - Yearly	322.64	343.70	364.75
	2.75 Lot - Yearly	348.11	370.83	393.55
	3.00 Lot - Yearly	373.59	397.97	422.35
	Lot code / square feet range			
	1.00 / Less than 12,000			
	1.25 / 12,001 – 15,000			
	1.50 / 15,001 – 18,000			
	1.75 / 18,001 – 21,000			
	2.00 / 21,001 – 24,000			
	2.25 / 24,001 – 27,000			
	2.50 / 27,001 – 30,000			
	2.75 / 30,001 – 33,000			
	3.00 / 33,001 and larger			
Irrigation Customers have the choice of being billed once for the entire season, being billed monthly for twelve months, or being billed monthly for seven months.				
Customers have the option of being billed on their existing water account or separately under a unique account number.				